SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 253

By Hensley

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate David McPherson on his selection as Teacher of the Year at Lewis County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, David McPherson is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McPherson has recently been selected Teacher of the Year at Lewis County High School (LCHS), an honor most befitting his outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence he has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McPherson is a thirty-three-year veteran of the classroom and has spent the last ten years of his exemplary career teaching high school chemistry; and

WHEREAS, since 2009, he has served adroitly as the chair of the science department and a member of the LCHS Leadership Committee; and

WHEREAS, a 1979 graduate of Middle Tennessee State University, Mr. McPherson was selected Lincoln County Middle School Teacher of the Year in 1990 and Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year in 2000; and

WHEREAS, he has always strived to be a productive and responsible citizen and is active in school, society, and church; and

WHEREAS, David McPherson is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate his students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens: and

WHEREAS, Mr. McPherson truly serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Mr. McPherson is most appreciative of the love, support, and companionship he shares with his wife, Lisa; and

WHEREAS, David McPherson truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate David McPherson on being chosen Teacher of the Year at Lewis County High School, commend his exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.